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APPLICANT: Kaufman et al.
SERIAL NO.: 10/099,881 GROUP NO.: 3737
FILING DATE: March 15, 2002 EXAMINER: Not Yet Assigned
TITLE: IMAGE PROCESSING USING MEASURES OF SIMILARITY

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Sir:

Applicants filed the patent application referenced above on March 15, 2002. Applicants filed a Preliminary Amendment and Transmittal of Formal Drawings on July 3, 2002. Prior to examination of the above-identified application, Applicants respectfully request entry of this Supplemental Preliminary Amendment.

Applicants hereby amend the specification to properly claim the benefit of filing dates of earlier filed U.S. applications as provided in 35 U.S.C. §119(e) and 35 U.S.C. §120.

Applicants believe that no fee is due with the submission of this amendment. If this is incorrect, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fee to Deposit Account No. 20-0531.

AMENDMENT

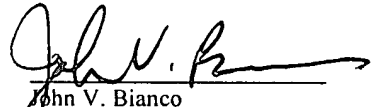
Please amend the application as follows. A marked-up copy of the replacement paragraph, as well as a clean copy of the replacement paragraph are attached.

In the Specification:

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Sir:

Submitted herewith are:

1. Transmittal Form (1 page);
2. Supplemental Preliminary Amendment (4 pages);
3. Supplemental Application Data Sheet (2 pages); and
4. Return receipt postcard.

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